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Title: POLYVINYL ALCOHOL GELS

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RESPONSE TO WRITTEN RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 9, 2008, for which a response is due on November 9, 2008.

Restriction

Restriction was required as follows:

- I. Claims 12-17 and 20-39, drawn to a polyvinyl alcohol gel.
- II. Claims 18, 19, 40 and 41, drawn to a process for preparing a gel.

Applicant elects Group I without traverse.

Please charge any fees or deficiency or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account of record.

Respectfully submitted, Rolf Muller et al.

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